

The Great Adventure (Dolly's Ride)

PUBLIC ART COLLECTION IDENTIFICATION SUMMARY



Number: 0021

Artist: Armstrong, Ann

Title: The Great Adventure (Dolly's Ride)

Date: 1994

Type: Sculpture

Medium: Girl: Bronze, Tortoise: Kellstone

Dimensions: x

Foundry/Fabricator: Artist

Location/Environment: Houston
Zoological Gardens, Outdoors

Provenance: Donated to the Houston Zoo
by the First Houston Doll Club

Historical Background

Subject

The First Houston Doll Club donated the Great Adventure to the Houston Zoological Gardens in 1994.

Physical Description

The Great Adventure is a life-sized figurative sculpture made from both bronze (the girl) and a composite stone material (the tortoise).

This bronze sculpture realistically depicts a small girl that is holding a rag-doll and sitting on top of a striding tortoise. The piece rests on a concrete pad, which was provided by the Houston Zoo.

The plaque on the base reads as follows:

For the children of Houston from the First Houston Doll Club, 1994.

Restoration/Conservation

This sculpture is maintained annually.